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☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification, Claims, and Abstract (29 pages).
- ☒ Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pages).
- ☐ Small Entity statement.

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☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

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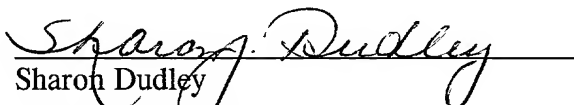
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- * Transmittal of Patent Application (2 pages)
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- * Patent Application (29 Total Pages: Specification - 24 pages; Claims - 4 pages; Abstract - 1 page)
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